

In order to give the Tewksbury residents even greater comfort that there would be no material impact from our use of the vibratory roller, Gillette's geotechnical consultants, GEI Consultants, Inc., performed a pre-construction field test on August 29th in the southwesterly corner of the Andover Manufacturing Center, which showed that there was no material vibration (0.013 inches per second) on the westerly sideline of I-93 (about 410 feet away from the roller test area). Given that the human perception range is 0.06-0.19 inches per second, and that this result was within that range, the risk of vibration issues was negligible. We then met on September 9th with several Tewksbury residents (Amar Bagul, Robert Kerins and Dotty Paquin), and shared the Field Observation Report with them. As there was still some nervousness, we then conducted a subsequent test of the vibratory roller on September 12th, placing the vibration meters inside and outside the residences of Amar Bagul and Robert Kerins. Those results confirmed that there was no perceptible vibration in those locations from the use of the vibratory roller at the AMC. Based upon the foregoing, we believe that the Tewksbury residents are on board with our use of the vibratory roller method.

2. Highway Sound Reflection

The second issue raised by the Tewksbury residents relates to the possibility that the Gillette project will enhance the existing level of reflected highway sound post-construction. This concern is based upon the fact that the westerly wall of the Andover Manufacturing Center will be approximately closer to some of the Tewksbury residents than the current location.

The analysis performed by Epsilon, Gillette's acoustic experts, indicated that any increase in highway sound would be negligible, and likely below the threshold for normal human perception.

Despite our experts' conclusion that the likely impact would be negligible, Gillette has agreed to conduct pre-construction ambient noise testing to be paid for by Gillette. The thought behind this testing is that it will give everyone a set of baseline measurements against which post-construction ambient noise can be measured.

3. H2N2 Facility

The third issue raised by the Tewksbury residents relates to possible risks associated with the proposed H2N2 facility to be located on the south side of the Andover Manufacturing Center, approximately 50 feet from the new addition. We explained at our meeting with the Tewksbury residents on September 9th that the design was similar to the design presently in use in South Boston, and that Gillette had had no incidents in 30 years at the 8 such installations it maintains around the world. We also emphasized that the design included multiple tanks, redundant valves, gas detection devices and telemetry systems for remote shutdown. Finally, we explained that we were going through 3rd party peer review working with the Andover Fire Department, and that the system would not be installed

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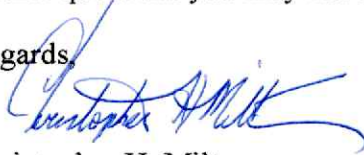
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until the Fire Department signed off on the system. This seemed to satisfy the Tewksbury residents.

We look forward to discussing this Application with you further on the continue public hearing scheduled for 8:30 PM on September 24th. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out with any further questions you may have regarding this subject.

Regards,



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